translated region of the maize zSSIIa cDNA clone before the translation start (Genbank Acc. No. AF019296); Harn et al. (1998) Plant Mol. Biol. 37: 639-649).--;

Immediately after page 47 and before the first page of claims (page 48), if appropriate, please insert the enclosed pages identified as --Sequence Listing--. Please renumber the pages accordingly.

REMARKS

A paper-copy of the nucleotide sequence listing and a computer readable form (floppy disk) of the nucleotide sequence Listing are enclosed.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned <u>"Version with markings to show changes made."</u>

These amendments are introduced merely to assign the correct SEQ ID NO: and to place the nucleotide sequence listing in the application, (after the specification and before the claims). It is respectfully asserted that these amendments do not add any new matter.

In view of the amendments, remarks and enclosures, the application complies with the requirements for computer readable disclosure of the biological sequences under 37 C.F.R. §1.821-1.825. This response is being submitted without a formal Notice to Comply.

If any additional fees are incurred for entry and consideration of this Amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,

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The paragraph beginning at page 35, line 23, was amended as follows:

Repeating short sequence motifs are located at position 4221 (TCTA)₄, at position 2304 (GCCT)₃ and position 2364 (GCT)₃. A direct repeat of sequence AAAAATGTAATCAAGCTTT (SEQ ID NO: 17) is located at positions 3199 and 3275. In the 5' untranslated region directly before the translation start (position 4671 in Seq ID No. 1) there is a GC- rich sequence (CCCGGCCGCC) (SEQ ID NO: 18), which is also present in the 5'-translated region of the maize zSSIIa cDNA clone before the translation start (Genbank Acc. No. AF019296); Harn *et al.* (1998) Plant Mol. Biol. 37: 639-649).